## Commonly Abused Drugs



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Substance: Category and Name	Examples of Commercial and/ Street Names	DEA Schedule*/ How Administered**	Intoxication Effects/ Potential Health Consequences
Cannabinoids			
Hashish	Boom, chronic, gangster, hash, hash oil, hemp	I/swallowed, smoked	Euphoria, slowed thinking and reaction time, confusion, impaired balance and coordination/
Marijuana	Blunt, dope, ganja, grass, herb, joints Mary Jane, pot, refer, sinsemilla, skunk, weed	I/swallowed, smoked	Cough, frequent respiratory infections; impaired memory and learning; increased heart rate, anxiety; panic attacks; tolerance, addiction
Depressants			Reduced pain and anxiety; feeling of well being; lowered inhibitions; slowed pulse and
Barbiturates	Amytal, Nembutal, Seconal, Phenobarbital/ Barbs, reds, red birds, phennies, tooies, yellows,	II, III, V/injected, swallowed	breathing; lowered blood pressure; poor concentration / confusion, fatigue; impaired coordination, memory, judgment; respiratory depression and arrest, addiction.
Benzodiazepines (other than	yellow jackets Ativan, Halcion, Librium, Valium, Xanax / candy,	IV/swallowed	Also, for barbiturates – sedation, drowsiness / depression, unusual excitement, fever, irritability, poor judgment, slurred speech, dizziness.
flunitrazepam)	downers, sleeping pills, tranks		For benzodiazepines – sedation, drowsiness / dizziness.
Flunitrazepam***	Rohypnol / forget-me pill, Mexican Valium, R2, Roche, roofies, roofinol, rope, rophies	IV/swallowed, snorted	For flunitrazepam- visual and gastrointestinal disturbances, urinary retention, memory loss for the time under the drug's effects.
GHB***	Gamma- hydroxybutyrate / G, Georgia home boy, grievous bodily harm, liquid ecstasy	Under consideration/ swallowed	For GHB= drowsiness, nausea / vomiting, headache, loss of consciousness, loss of reflects, seizures, coma, death.
			For methaqualone – euphoria / depression, poor reflexes, slurred speech, coma.

Methaqualone	Quaalude, Sopor, Parest /Ludes, mandrex, quad, quay	I/injected, swallowed	
Dissociative Anestl	hetics		
Retamine PCP and analogs	Ketalar SV / cat Valiums, K, Special K, vitamin K Phencyclidine / angel dust, boat, hog, love boat, peace pill	III / injected, swallowed, smoked I, II / injected, swallowed smoked	Increased heart rate and blood pressure, impaired motor function / memory loss, numbness, nausea, vomiting.  Also for Ketamine – at high doses, delirium, depression, respiratory depression and arrest.  For PCP and analogs – possible decrease in blood pressure and heart rate, panic, aggression, violence / loss of appetite, depression
Hallucinogens			
LSD	Lysergic acid diethylamide / acid, blotter, boomers, cubes, microdot, yellow sunshines	I / swallowed, absorbed through mouth tissues	Altered states of perception and feeling / nausea, chronic mental disorders, persisting perception disorder (flashbacks)  Also for LSD and mescaline – increased body
Mescaline	Buttons, cactus, mesc, peyote	I / swallowed, smoked	temperature, heart rate, blood pressure, loss cappetite, sleeplessness, numbness, weakness, tremors
Psilocybin	Magic mushroom, purple passion, shrooms	I / swallowed	пеннов

Opioids and Morphine Derivatives			
Codeine	Emperin with Codeine, Fiorinal with Codeine, Robitussin A-C, Tylenol with Codeine / Captain Cody, Cody, schoolboy; (with glutethimide) doors & fours, loads, pancakes and syrup	II, III, IV / injected, swallowed	Pain relief, euphoria, drowsiness / respiratory depression and arrest, nausea, confusion, constipation, sedation, unconsciousness, coma, tolerance, addiction.  Also for Codeine – less analgesia, sedation, and respiratory depression than morphine  For heroin – staggering gait
Fentanyl	Actiq, Duragesic, Sublimaze / Apache, China girl, China white, dance fever, friend, goodfella, jackpot, murder 8, TNT, Tango and Cash	II / injected, smoked, snorted	
Heroin	Diacetylmorphine / brown sugar, dope, H, horse, junk, skag, skunk, smack, white horse	I / injected, smoked, snorted	
Morphine	Roxanol, Duramorph / M, Miss Emma, monkey, white stuff	II, III / injected, swallowed, smoked	
Opium	Laudanum, paregoric / big O, black stuff, block, gum, hop	II, III, V / swallowed, smoked	

Stimulants			Increased heart rate, blood pressure,
Amphetamine	Biphetamine, Dexedrine / bennies, black beauties, crosses, hearts, LA turnaround, speed, truck drivers, uppers	Il /injected, swallowed, smoked, snorted	metabolism, feelings or exhilaration, energy, increased mental alertness / rapid or irregular heart beat, reduced appetite, weight loss, heart failure  Also for amphetamine – rapid breathing, hallucinations / tremor, loss of coordination, irritability, anxiousness, restlessness, delirium, panic, paranoia, impulsive behavior, aggressiveness, tolerance, addiction  For cocaine – increased temperature / chest pain, respiratory failure, nausea, abdominal pain, strokes, seizures, headaches, malnutrition  For MDMA – mild hallucinogenic effects, increased tactile sensitivity, empathic feelings,
Cocaine	Cocaine hydrochloride / blow, bump, C, candy, Charlie, coke, crack, flake, rock, snow, toot	II / injected, smoked, snorted	
MDMA (methylenedioxy- methamphetamine	DOB, DOM, MDA / Adam, clarity, ecstasy, Eve, lover's speed, peace, STP, X, XTC	I / swallowed	
Methamphetamine	Desoxyn / chalk, crank, crystal, fire, glass, go fast, ice, meth, speed	II / injected, swallowed, smoked, snorted	
Methylphenidate	Ritalin / JIF, MPH, R-ball, Skippy, the smart drug, vitamin R	II / injected, swallowed, snorted	hyperthermia / impaired memory and learning  For methamphetamine – aggression, violence,
Nicotine	Bidis, chew, cigars, cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, spit tobacco	Not scheduled / smoked, snorted, taken in snuff and spit tobacco	psychotic behavior / memory loss, cardiac and neurological damage, impaired memory and learning, tolerance, addiction  For methylphenidate – increase or decrease in blood pressure, psychotic episodes / digestive problems, loss of appetite, weight loss  For nicotine – tolerance, addiction, additional effects attributable to tobacco exposure – adverse pregnancy outcomes, chronic lung disease, cardiovascular disease

Other Compounds			
Anabolic steroids	Anadrol, Oxandrin, Durabolin, Depo- Testosterone, Equipoise / roids, juice	III, injected, swallowed, applied to skin	No intoxication effects / hypertension, blood clotting and cholesterol changes, liver cysts and cancer, kidney cancer, hostility and aggression, acne; adolescents, premature stoppage of growth; in males, prostate cancer, reduced sperm production, shrunken testicles, breast enlargement; in females, menstrual irregularities, development of beard and other masculine characteristics.
Inhalants	Solvents (paint thinners, gasoline, glues), gases (butane, propane, aerosol propellants, nitrous oxide), nitrites (isoamyl, isobutyl, cyclohexyl); laughing gas, poppers, snappers, whippets	Not scheduled / inhaled through nose or mouth	Stimulation, loss of inhibition; headache; nausea or vomiting; slurred speech, loss of motor coordination; wheezing / unconsciousness, cramps, weight loss, muscle weakness, depression, memory impairment, damage to cardiovascular and nervous systems, sudden death.

<sup>\*</sup> Schedule I and II drugs have a high potential for abuse. They require greater storage security and have a quota on manufacturing, among other restrictions. Schedule I drugs are available for research only and have no approved medical use. Schedule II drugs are available only by prescription (unrefillable) and require a form for ordering. Schedule III and IV drugs are available by prescription, may have five refills in 6 months, and may be ordered orally. Most Schedule V drugs are available over the counter.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Taking drugs by injection can increase the risk of infection through needle contamination with staphylococci, HIV, hepatitis, and other organisms.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Associated with sexual assaults.